

REMARKS

Applicants submit herewith an amendment after allowance prior to payment of the issue fee and request the Examiner enter the requested amendment pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.312 and MPEP 714.16. The amendment is requested in order to correct the Brief Description of the Drawings to indicate the table in Figure 9 is now represented in two parts, beginning in Figure 9A and continuing in Figure 9B. Replacement sheets for Figures 1-17 are submitted herewith.

Amendment to Brief Description of Drawings

Applicants note that in the originally filed informal version of Figure 9, the table depicted thereon fit within one page. In order to meet the font size requirements of 37CFR 1.81(p)(3), the table in Figure 9 is now represented in two parts, the parts are accordingly labeled Figure 9A and Figure 9B. Applicants hereby request an amendment of the Brief Description of Drawings in order to properly indicate that Figure 9 now represented in two parts comprising the table beginning in Figure 9A and continuing in Figure 9B.

This amendment embodies a correction of the numbering of a figure and does not add new matter nor does it change the breadth of the specification or the scope of the claims.

Objections to the Drawings

In the Notice of Allowance dated October 7, 2004, the Examiner objected to the original drawings as failing to comply with 37 C.F.R. §1.121(d). Specifically, the Examiner objected to the handwritten labels on the original drawings. Applicants enclose herewith replacement sheets for Figures 1-17 in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121(d). Accordingly, Applicants request that the Examiner withdraw the objections to the drawings.

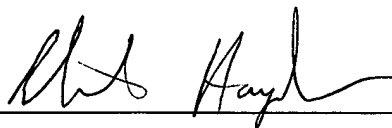
For the reasons discussed above, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the amendment. The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative should there be any questions regarding this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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By: _____

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The attached eighteen (18) drawing replacement sheets replace the original informal eighteen (18) drawing sheets for Figures 1 - 17.